

What is claimed is:

1. A collapsible structure, comprising:

a first panel, a second panel and a third panel, each panel having a foldable frame member that has a folded and an unfolded orientation, with a fabric material covering portions of each respective frame member to form the panel for each frame member when the frame member is in the unfolded orientation, each panel having a left side, a right side and a bottom side;

wherein the left side of the first panel is hingedly coupled to the right side of the second panel, and the right side of the first panel is hingedly coupled to the left side of the third panel;

wherein the left side of the second panel and the right side of the third panel are free of any connections to any panels; and

a mat coupled adjacent the bottom side of at least one of the panels.

2. The structure of claim 1, wherein the mat extends beyond the bottom side of the at least one of the panels.

3. The structure of claim 1, wherein the mat is folded up to be removably coupled to either the left side of the second panel or the right side of the third panel.

4. The structure of claim 1, further including a hood coupled to the panels.

5. The structure of claim 1, further including a base coupled to the panels, with the mat attached to the base.

6. The structure of claim 5, wherein the mat is removably attached to the base.

7. The structure of claim 5, wherein the base comprises a narrow strip of material that traverses the bottom sides of the panels.

8. The structure of claim 1, further including means for attaching the mat to at least one of the panels.

9. The structure of claim 1, wherein the first panel comprises two overlapping panels.

10. The structure of claim 9, wherein the two overlapping panels includes
5 two separate frame members that overlap each other at a plurality of overlapping points.

11. The structure of claim 9, wherein the each of the two overlapping
panels has fabric material covering portions of the respective frame member, and
10 with the fabric material of each panel crossing the fabric material of the other panel.

12. The structure of claim 1, wherein each frame member is twisted and folded to its folded orientation reduce the overall size of the frame member.

13. The structure of claim 1, wherein each panel further includes a frame retaining sleeve for retaining the respective frame member.

14. The structure of claim 1, wherein the mat includes means for cushioning the body of an occupant.

15. A structure, comprising:
at least one foldable frame member having a folded and an unfolded orientation, with a fabric material covering portions of the frame member to form at least one panel when the frame member is in the unfolded orientation, the at least
25 one panel having a bottom side; and
a mat coupled adjacent the bottom side of at least one of the at least one panel.

16. The structure of claim 15, wherein the at least one frame member
30 comprises two frame members, each frame member having a first end and a second end that are adapted to contact a surface, with the two frame members overlapping each other.

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17. The structure of claim 15, wherein the at least one frame member defines a plurality of separate panels that are hingedly coupled to each other.

5 18. The structure of claim 17, wherein the plurality of separate panels comprises a first panel and a second panel, each of the first and second panels having a top side and a bottom side, with the first and second panels hingedly connected to each other and oriented at an angle with respect to each other, with the mat coupled adjacent the bottom side of the first and second panels.

10 19. The structure of claim 17, wherein the plurality of separate panels comprises:

a first panel and a second panel, each of the first and second panels having a top side and a bottom side;

15 a third panel having a left side hingedly connected to the top side of the first panel and a right side hingedly connected to the top side of the second panel; and

wherein the mat coupled adjacent the bottom side of the first and second panels.

20 20. The structure of claim 15, wherein the at least one frame member is a frame member having a figure-eight configuration when in the unfolded orientation, the figure-eight configuration defining a first loop, a second loop, and a crossover that forms the apex of the frame member in the unfolded orientation and with the first and second loops extending downwardly from the apex, and wherein the fabric material covers portions of the frame member inside the first and second loops when
25 the frame member is in the unfolded orientation.